

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Twin Falls District Resource Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Twin Falls District Resource Advisory Council

3b. GSA Committee No.

25121

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

01/06/2017

6. Expected Renewal Date

01/06/2019

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

5 U.S.C. Appendix

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Sec. 309

13. Effective Date

10/21/1976

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 Other Activities 1 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 1

Purpose

Administrative/information sharing meeting.

Start

01/24/2018

End

- 01/24/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$1,435.00	\$17,000.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$250.00	\$1,000.00

18d. Total	\$1,685.00	\$19,000.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.10	0.20

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The RAC provides representative citizen counsel and advice to the Secretary of the Interior through the Bureau of Land Management's designated Federal officer concerning the planning and management of the public land resources located within the geographic area of the BLM's Twin Falls District and a small portion of land in northern Nevada located within the Jarbidge Field Office.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Twin Falls District Resource Advisory Council is composed of 9 members distributed in a balanced fashion among the following groups. Category I includes those holding Federal grazing permits or leases, interests associated with transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, OHV users, or commercial recreation activities, commercial timber industry, or energy and mineral development. Category II includes nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, dispersed recreation activities, archaeological and historical interests, or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups. Category III includes State, county, or locally elected office-holders, employee of a State agency responsible for the management of natural resources, Indian Tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the RAC is organized, are employed as academicians in natural resource management or the natural sciences, or represent the public-at-large.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Generally, the Twin Falls District RAC met approximately four times annually. The first meeting welcomes new members and reviews the past year's work/involvement. Future meetings are generally scheduled during the current meeting by the RAC chairman or meetings can be scheduled when new or ongoing issues require RAC consideration. Relevance to pertinent management problems is ensured before a meeting is scheduled. The meetings provide the RAC members with the chance to review information and form recommendations.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The RAC represents a wide variety of public land users and others interested in the management of the public lands. There is no other single group that can provide this representation.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public. Notices of the meetings are published in the Federal Register, posted on the BLM Idaho website, and distributed to local media outlets.

21. Remarks

The Twin Falls RAC did not have a full council meeting in FY 2018, but conducted one administrative/information sharing meeting on 1/24/2018.

Designated Federal Officer

Michael Courtney Twin Falls District Manager

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Courtney, Tom	11/19/2013	01/09/2020	Retired Twin Falls City Manager	Representative Member
Ford, Brad	01/09/2017	01/09/2020	Idaho National Wild Turkey Federation	Representative Member
Henslee, Michael	11/18/2010	01/09/2020	Rancher	Representative Member
Howell, Charles	08/31/2009	11/24/2019	County Commissioner	Representative Member
Meyer, Brett	02/04/2016	02/04/2019	Rancher	Representative Member
Moore, Greg	02/04/2016	02/04/2019	Southern Idaho Off-Road Association	Representative Member
Osborne, Hunter	11/19/2013	01/09/2020	Shoshone-Bannock Tribe	Representative Member
Richman, Michelle	02/04/2016	02/04/2019	Staff Engineer	Representative Member
Robinson, Shauna	09/20/2012	02/04/2019	Twin Falls County Historical Preservation Commission	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 9

Narrative Description

The Twin Falls District RAC provides recommendations and comments regarding significant projects and documents coming out of the BLM's Jarbidge, Burley, and Shoshone Field Offices, as well as any requests from the BLM Idaho State Director. The RAC supports the mission of the Twin Falls District in general land management and specific projects. The BLM's Twin Falls District recognizes the RAC members' input on how to proceed with upcoming projects.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

N/A

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None

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Unable to Determine

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Under \$100,000

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\$100,000 - \$500,000

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\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

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\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

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\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000

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Over \$10,000,000

☐

Cost Savings Other

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Cost Savings Comments

An in-depth analysis has not been done to determine cost savings associated with the Twin Falls District RAC. However, the contributions of the RAC are of great benefit to the BLM.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

69

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Twin Falls District RAC did not meet and did not forward a recommendation to the Twin Falls District BLM in FY2018.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

90%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Up to this point, the RAC's recommendations have been 90% implemented. Some of their recommendations have been centered on projects that are still underway.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

N/A

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Members are apprised of current and potential BLM actions. Members are mailed or e-mailed material relative to projects.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other



Access Comments

Twin Falls District RAC members are e-mailed planning materials from field and district offices. They are provided information as requested. There is a link to the meeting minutes on the BLM-Idaho website.